



CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS

John Arntz, Director

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Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, California 94102

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

Attached please find the necessary documents for a department submission to amend its policies regarding surveillance technology for the Board of Supervisors' review and approval.

The Department of Elections seeks to amend its policies regarding the use of surveillance technology. The amendments are based on the Department using cameras other than the Google Nest cameras referenced in the Department's existing policy. The reason for the change is the Nest cameras will no longer receive software updates.

This amended policy allows more flexibility in the cameras used since a specific vendor is not stated as the provider. The amendments also reduce the timeframe for retaining any recorded footage from 10 days to four.

I will gladly answer any questions.

Respectfully,

John Arntz, Director

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Attachment 1: Amended Surveillance Technology Policy

Attachment 2: Redline version of Amended Surveillance Policy